

Weekends

Saturday Vigil – 5:00 p.m.

Brazilian Mass – 7:30 p.m.

Sunday – 7:30, 9:00 Children's Liturgy and Choir,

10:30 a.m. with Adult Choir and 12:00 N

Spanish Mass – 5:00 p.m.

Brazilian Mass – 7:30 p.m.

Weekdays

Monday through Saturday - 7:30 a.m.

Monday through Friday - 12:10 Noon

(HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday - 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

and by appointment

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married must begin to make arrangements at least 8 months prior to their wedding date by contacting the Rectory.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Attendance at pre-Baptism class is required prior to the Baptism of the first child. Classes are held on the second Sunday of the month at 1:15 p.m. in the Rectory. Please pre-register by calling 203-743-2707. Baptisms in English are on the first and third Sundays of the month at 1:15 p.m.

Saint Peter Church, Danbury, CT

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Gregg D. Mecca, Pastor

Rev. David J. Riley, In Residence

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. - MONDAY through FRIDAY

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MUSIC MINISTER

Dr. Glen Segger, gsegger@stpeterdanb.org



LATINO COMMUNITY

Bautizos—Cuartos Domingos de cada Mes. Contacten con Ana Espinal para el formulario y la información sobre la clase pre-bautismal. Se celebra el sacramento de bautismo dos veces al mes: el primer domingo del mes a las 3 y el cuarto domingo a la 1:15.

Confesiones—Domingos a las 4:00 p.m.

Horario de Oficina—De Lunes a Viernes, de 1:30 p.m. a 3:30 p.m. En español pregunten por Ana Espinal.

SAINT PETER SCHOOL OFFICE

Mary Lou Torre — Principal - 203-748-2895

StPeterSchoolDanbury.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND FORMATION

Barbara Siano—Director of Religious Education K - 8
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Chairman of Parish Council – Fred Visconti – 203-744-2311

Chairman of Finance – Arthur Mannion - 203-733-0183



OCTOBER

14 SAT	5:00 PM	†	Isabella Bucci
	7:30 PM		Brazilian Mass
15 SUN	7:30 AM	†	Mary Ellen Cesca
	9:00 AM		Immaculate High School Class of 1973
	10:30 AM	†	Edith Palanzo
	12:00 N		Our Parishioners
	5:00 PM		Spanish Mass
	7:30 PM		Brazilian Mass
16 MON	<i>St. Hedwig, Religious;</i>		
	<i>St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin</i>		
	7:30 AM	†	Chris and Tom Gallo
	12:10 N	†	Peter A. Herger and Josephine and Francis Paola
17 TUE	<i>St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr</i>		
	7:30 AM	†	Souls in Purgatory
	12:10 N	†	Amarilis Calderon
18 WED	<i>St. Luke, Evangelist</i>		
	7:30 AM	†	Rosemary Dosch
	12:10 N	†	Bishop Walter W. Curtis
19 THU	<i>Sts. John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues,</i>		
	<i>Priests and Companions, Martyrs</i>		
	7:30 AM	†	Zita Schmiedel
	12:10 PM	†	Immac Thampoe
20 FRI	<i>St. Paul of the Cross, Priest</i>		
	7:30 AM	†	Havlin Family
	12:10 N	†	Saviriachi & Antonia Emmanuel
21 SAT	7:30 AM		Richard Rizzo
	5:00 PM	†	James Corigliano
	7:30 PM		Brazilian Mass
22 SUN	7:30 AM		Our Parishioners
	9:00 AM	†	Can and Nhung Nguyen
	10:30 AM	†	Bill Schlichtig
	12:00 N	†	Joan Ginty
	5:00 PM		Spanish Mass
	7:30 PM		Brazilian Mass

On the weekend, if the intention of the Mass is yours,
please see an usher about bringing up the gifts.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING—October 8, 2023.....\$ 7,281
Online Giving—October 8, 2023.....\$ 2,404
Our weekly goal\$ 10,500

Thank you for your support.

Father Mecca



From the
Pastor's Desk

First up a review of our Clean Sweep Tag Sale. It was a great success! Not to seem ungrateful for the success, we wonder how much more we might have sold had it not begun to rain. At least we had the morning hours rain free when we have the most traffic. If you went downstairs after the Masses, you saw quite a lot of items on the tables and may have wondered if we had sold anything. We had an abundance of items this year and, as I had mentioned, so many of them were in excellent or new condition. I think hot on the list of items sold were table linens and holiday decorations. We sold quite a bit more on Sunday. So, how much profit did we realize? \$5,072, our largest amount ever! We have to give credit to our parishioners who donated so many great items. Thank you to everyone. Now I want to give special thanks to the volunteers. Setting up was a two-day process, involving unpacking, setting out the things and pricing them. On Saturday, we had volunteers working the floor, assisting customers to their cars, and acting as cashiers. On Monday, more additional help came to pack what was left over, store what we wanted to keep and drive the rest of the boxes to Savers. Is there a lot of work involved in the tag sale? Yes, but we find it fun. Thank you, Brenda Farrah, Rose LoStocco, Mary Larkin, Susan Mohn, Rita Sedor, Carol Lemoine, Rita Sasso, Annette Luciano, Mary Schlichtig, Richard Baird, Bryan and Deborah Hocking, Shirley Rossi, Cookie DeMartino, Barbara Siano, Michelle Ferrucci, Carmen Killackey, Sue and Pete Lavelle, Barbara Talerico, Linda Coords, Barbara Lynch, Erin Baldwick, and Tim O'Leary. I hope I have everyone. You did a fantastic job.

On Thursday evening, the Feast of Our Lady of Aparecida, Bishop Caggiano dedicated the new Brazilian Catholic pastoral center on Vail Road, Bethel, the former Capellaro's Grove, and the chapel was consecrated. Thursday's ceremony capped the Quasi-Parish's three-year effort to find, purchase, and refurbish space into a pastoral center would accommodate their needs. Fr. Leonel tells me that there is still some work to be done, but overall the building is completed. We congratulate the community and are happy that they have achieved their goal. We ask God to bless their pastoral work.

Yesterday, Saturday, was the annual presentation of the Saint Augustine Award for Service at the cathedral. Those honored are women and men who serve the diocesan agencies or Bishop, our schools, and our parishes. This year Brenda Farrah is St. Peter's recipient of the award for her service to us. When nominating Brenda, I had in mind principally her service as the Bingo Person In Charge (that really is an official title). Brenda took over managing the games at a time of some turmoil in the parish and kept



The Sanctuary Lamp Burns
In Memory of
Mary Ellen Cesca



KINDLY REMEMBER THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Daniel Alvarez Dorothy Bennett Ware Cohen Barbara Glasso
Richard Baris Nubia Dekker Jerry Dejulia
Joshua Erickson Elizabeth Ianelli Joseph Kasinskas
Teddy Marchione Christopher McLaughlin
Anthony Pelle, Jr Robert Soares

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

bingo alive. For twenty years, she has been at the helm of this most important fund-raiser for the parish. In the last fiscal year, bingo netted the parish \$40,000. Bingo is our largest fund-raiser. We would be hard pressed to make up that revenue without bingo. Brenda's energy, friendly rapport with the players, and fairness in applying the rules has earned her the admiration of players and volunteers. Besides bingo, for years Brenda served on the Parish Council and chaired the Parish Life Committee. She remains on that committee and annually continues to chair the tag sale. We are very grateful to Brenda for her dedication to the parish—her life-long parish by the way—for her good heart and cheerful willingness to serve Christ and His Church. Congratulations Brenda and thank you!

Our Diocese celebrates its 70th anniversary next weekend with Mass at the cathedral on Saturday at 11 a.m. The Bishop has sent two tickets to each parish to be distributed to parishioners in any way he wants. Rather than select people myself, I decided to offer them to anyone who would like to go, but I forgot to do that last weekend. (There is too much to keep track of.) Now it's a little short notice, but anyone who wishes to go, let me know. I have to give you the ticket to present at the cathedral. The Bishop, who directs the liturgy within his diocese, has ordered that we commemorate our diocesan anniversary next weekend with the votive Mass for the Church in place of the 29th Week of Ordinary Time. We will place the references for the readings and Mass propers in next week's bulletin.

—Fr. Mecca

others. We recognize the following students for exhibiting these characteristics.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Minvika Ranga	K
Layla Quilligana	1C
Isadora Moura	1S
Juliet Robles	2
Mya Anderson	3
Isabella Galli	4
Isabella Rosado	5
Mariluz Saldana	6V
Isabella Roberto	6H
Montserrat Terrero	7
Erick Saldana	8

Last Friday we celebrated Our Lady of the Rosary at First Friday Mass. It was led by the 8th grade class with Mrs. Puglisi. They did a nice job leading us!

While it's hard to believe, we are in the process of taking orders for the Christmas wreaths. If you are interested in supporting this St. Peter School fundraiser, there are flyers in the vestibule. The cost is \$30/wreath or \$80/3 wreaths. The deadline for ordering is November 14 and pick up will be on November 25 and November 26. Thank you for supporting this very important fundraiser!

—Mrs. Mary Lou Torre, Principal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Update

Last Sunday was the first day of classes and thank you to all parents, students, and catechists for making sure that the day went smoothly.

We apologize for some of the last-minute room changes but rest assured that the students all found their catechist and classroom.


Remember to have your child bring their textbook to class each week. If you have any questions, please contact the office during the week, or come to the office after all students have left the building on Sunday at 12:00.

El domingo pasado fue el primer día de clases y gracias a todos los padres, estudiantes y catequistas por asegurarse de que el día transcurriera sin problemas. Nos disculpamos por algunos de los cambios de salón de último momento, pero tengan la seguridad de que todos los estudiantes encontraron a su catequista y su salón de clases. Recuerde que su hijo traiga su libro de texto a clase cada semana. Si tiene alguna pregunta, comuníquese con la oficina durante la semana. o venga a la oficina después de que todos los estudiantes hayan abandonado el edificio el domingo a las 12:00.

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- 15- Lesson 2
- 22- Lesson 3
- 29- Lesson 4

—Barbara Sciano, Director of Religious Education



We offer our condolences to the family of
Madeline Raimundo
Sheila Reilly
who passed away last week.

SAINT PETER SCHOOL NEWS

 For more information about registering your child at St. Peter School, please contact mmartinez@spsdanbury.org or mtorre@spsdanbury.org or call the school office @ 203-748-2895.

Last week we inadvertently left off one Leaders of Tomorrow recipient - Leonardo Montiel. Congratulations, Leonardo!

Our Gospel Value for the month of September was Magnificence. Magnificence is being an example of God and Jesus, helping others and expecting nothing in return, leading classmates in prayer and the Rosary, saying "yes" with a smile, being an altar server, and showing kindness to

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Musical Notes—



One of the benefits of having yearly mis-salettes is that our publisher gets to add new hymns to our hymnal. To that end, OCP has just included one of my favorites into the mix! “The Day You Gave Us, Lord, Is Ended,” Hymn #642, is a beautiful evening hymn I remember from my childhood. Now that our days are growing shorter, I think it would be nice to sing this evening hymn weekly at our Saturday 5 p.m. Mass. It’s a new hymn, but a beautiful one (both text and music) worth learning.

—Glen Segger, Director of Music

Discovering Our Faith

Thursday, October 19, we will continue exploring the program “**Divine Mercy: The Second Greatest Story Ever Told**” which tells the dramatic history of God’s love and mercy. The topic is “Proclaim This Message”. We meet in the parish hall on **Thursday evenings 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.** Please call the parish office to reserve a book with which you can follow the video presentation by Fr. Michael Gaitley. There is a review each week prior to the session.

Interested in becoming a Catholic?

Are you an adult (18+) Catholic who has not received the Sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation?



The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** is the normative way in which non-Catholics – those un-baptized as well as those baptized into other Christian denominations – enter the Church. It is also the way baptized Catholics who never received Eucharist and Confirmation complete their Sacraments of Initiation. If you would like to explore the process, please call the office at 203-743-2707 or come to the Parish Hall Sunday at 11:30 a.m.

Save the Date—

HARVEST BREAKFAST

Sponsored by the Men’s Society

Sunday, November 5

Parish Hall following 7:30, 9:00

& 10:30 a.m. Masses

Adults \$8; Children \$6; Family \$25

Menu Includes – pancakes, French toast, eggs, sausage, hash browns, coffee, tea & orange juice.

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THE CLEAN SWEEP TAG SALE

Thank you to all who helped prepare for our tag sale last weekend. It was a daunting task, however, it was a joy to watch the camaraderie. Some volunteers arrived Thursday not knowing each other and by Sunday friendships formed. Again, thank you for all the help setting up, working, and breaking down. Job well done!

—The Parish Life Committee



Pasta Supper Saturday, October 21 from 6:00 to 9 p.m.

Join us in the Parish Hall for pasta, homemade meatballs, salad, rolls, butter and your choice of homemade desserts and beverages. Admission \$10 for adults; \$5 for children over 7; free for those children under 7.

